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Memorandum

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To:

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From:

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Subject: Tract U-a/U-b Inspection - Mining

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## ACTIVITIES

Mining: The shaft was bottomed at 1048' and stations cut east and west. The stations were 40' wide 30' high and approximately 70' long from shaft wall.

The pre-split blasting at the brow of the station was very effective, resulting in a smooth face for better flow of ventilation as well as better control of ground.

The roof of the station was extensively rock bolted. Treated hardwood headboards were used with the bolts near the shaft for better ground control in the thinly bedded shale. The walls at station were bolted, using head-boards and wire mesh to prevent sloughing.

Development will now be continued from the east station and to the south for 766' toward the crusher station which will be connected to the decline. A 50 h.p. fan will be used, operated exhausting from the heading.

A sample of air was taken from the shaft station for lab analysis of methane (56837).

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